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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

Application Number	09/976,238
Filing Date	October 12, 2001
First Named Inventor	David A. Basiji et al.
Group Art Unit	1639
Examiner Name	My Chau T. Tran
Attorney Docket No.	BIOL0029

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

_	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
2	a. X Previously submitted
	i. X Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
Febi	ruary 4, 2004.
	(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
	iiConsider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
	iiiOther
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	iAmendment/Reply
	iiAffidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
	iiiInformation Disclosure Statement (IDS)
	iv. X Other Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Application
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2.	<u>Miscellaneous</u>
â	 Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for
	a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)
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3. Request for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the Final Office Action dated September 17, 2003, set to expire on the extended date (2 months) of February 17, 2004, be extended by one additional month to expire on March 17, 2004. The additional extension of time fee is enclosed herewith in the check noted below and referenced in the attached Petition to Revive.

 Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when t 	the RCE is filed.
a. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge the follow	ving fees, or credit any overpayments, to
Deposit Account No. 01-1940.	3
iRCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)	
iiExtension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	
iii. X Any additional required fees	
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ivOther	
b. X Check No. 7348 in the amount of \$1315	is enclosed, which includes the \$385 small
entity RCE filing fee, the 3 rd month of extension of time additiona	I fee of \$265, and the \$665 petition to revive
fee.	
cPayment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	•
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR	AGENT REQUIRED
Typed/Printed Name Michael C. King	Registration Number: 44,832
Signature	Date: <u>April 23, 2004</u>
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37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for	or Patents: Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.
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